

**REMARKS**

Claims 1–25 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, the specification is amended.

By way of this amendment, the amino acid sequence disclosed in the specification has been deleted. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that the requirements of CFR 1.821 no longer apply to this application. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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